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SUBJECT: AMENDMENT & RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 and SUBSTANCE OF THE

INTERVIEW UNDER 1.133(B)

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Attached please find an Amendment and Response under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 and Substance of the Interview Under 1.333(b) for Docket No. 01235-22619.CIP (formerly 22619.CIP), Application No. 10/074,687.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW UNDER 1.133(b)

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Sir:

In response to the communication mailed February 27, 2007, please enter the amendments and reconsider this application in view of the remarks provided below.

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#### INTERVIEW SUMMARY

An in person interview was held between Applicant's representative and the Examiner on April 26, 2007. During the interview claims 146-233 were discussed. Specifically, the possibility of amending claims 146 and 193 to include a limitation that the first and second fractions are segregated was discussed. Support for such an amendment was also shown and discussed.